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RESTRICTION RESPONSE

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Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated March 5, 2008, Applicants elect, without traverse, Group VII, Claims 16 and 19-21 (drawn to a process), for examination.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.